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## CURRENT TOPICS.

THE vatican is anxious about the serious decrease in the revenue from Peter's pence.

THE extension of the plate shop at the Bath Iron works at Bath, Me., will soon be completed.

THE Chicago ordinance imposing a license tax on bicycles has been declared void in a lower court.

THE plant of the Globe Iron & Foundry Co. at St. Louis is being run to nearly full operation.

EMPEROR WILLIAM received a number of threatening letters from nihilists before starting for Russia.

RUSSELL SAGE has not, within the memory of the oldest broker, taken a vacation during the hot weather.

THE Fox Pressed Steel Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., has all departments of its plant in operation on double turn.

THE Tyler Foundry and Machine Co. has been incorporated at Tyler, Tex., to engage in the general foundry business.

THE plant of the Davis & Egan Machine Tool Co., of Cincinnati, O., is running full time, with a force of 600 men.

MRS. J. P. MILLER, of Chicago, has in her possession the sword which Lord Byron carried in the war for Grecian independence.

MRS. MARION CRAWFORD, wife of the famous novelist, has dark eyes and golden hair, two things rarely found in the same person.

IT is stated that in six months of the year American manufacturers can make enough shoes to supply the 70,000,000 people of the United States.

THE United States pension roll has almost reached the million mark. The exact number of pensioners at the beginning of the fiscal year was 983,528.

THE recent cloudbursts and floods in Germany have been the worst since 1870. Reports show 285 lives lost, and a property loss of over 150,000,000 marks.

GERMANY has a law requiring that all drugs intended for internal use shall be put up in round bottles, and all intended for external use in hexagonal bottles.

WHEN the ameer of Afghanistan goes out cycling he uses a triplet machine, and leaves all the work of it to be done by two men, who sit one in front and one behind him.

THE Grand Duchess Sophia, of Saxe-Weimar, left a fortune of a hundred million francs, besides her large estates in Alsacia and Holland, which bring in a huge income every year.

SOMETHING new in delicacies is the nut sandwich. Spread between thin slices of scantily buttered bread a layer of almonds and walnuts, and flavor with a little grated cheese.

THIS has been a great year in England for strawberries. In one week from one station no less than 100 tons of these berries were dispatched to London and northern markets.

CAPT. ELI A. KAHLER, of Detroit, who enlisted during the civil war as a drummer boy and was mustered out a captain, will soon be rewarded with a gold medal by special act of congress.

THE duchess of Cleveland has the outside of her London house washed down from top to bottom by men of the fire department. The task is performed very early in the morning.

QUEEN VICTORIA owns a dress manufactured entirely of spider's webs. It was a present from the late empress of Brazil, who had it specially prepared in her palace by 30 native silk workers.

THE E. P. Allis Co., of Milwaukee, Wis., has received an order from the Central London Underground railway, of London, England, for six cross compound engines, of 1,300 horse-power each.

A REPORT from the office of the register general of England contains the intelligence that 225 women reach the age of 100 years, while only 85 men out of 1,000,000 count the milestone of a century.

ANTHRACITE coal production for June, according to official returns, was nearly 3,000,000 tons, making for the last six months about 18,000,000. The tonnage for 1896 was 43,000,000; 1895, 46,000,000; 1894, 41,000,000.

SINCE Bret Harte—who has dropped his first name, Francis—was United States consul to Glasgow from 1880 to 1888, he has made his residence in Great Britain. At present he lives at 74 Lancaster Gate, West London.

MRS. NANCY JULIAN, of Warsaw, Ind., has just received a pass to New York over the Pennsylvania railroad. The pass was given because Mrs. Julian was the first woman to travel on a railroad west of the Allegheny mountains.

MRS. RANDALL, of Boston, who died some time ago, bequeathed \$20,000 to the Prospect union, which is composed of students and professors of Harvard; \$20,000 to Radcliffe college, and \$70,000 to the Foxcroft club, of Harvard, for a clubhouse.

IN one of H. G. Wells' tales a man explores the bottom of the sea in a steel cylinder made so as to resist the enormous pressure of the water. Now M. del Pozzo, of Paris, has constructed such a cylinder, and it is to be tested in the deep-sea depths off Havre and Brest.

IN several places in Cape Colony caves have been explored which yielded hundreds of mummified remains of a queer species of six-fingered monkey. All of the full grown specimens of this remarkable race have the tail situated high up on the back, with other distinguishing marks, such as two sets of canine teeth.

## A ROYALTY

Of Ten Per Cent. to Be Levied by the Government on Placer Mining.

Provided the Amount Mined and Taken From a Single Claim Does Not Exceed \$500 a Week, Above That Amount 20 Per Cent. to Be Levied.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 16.—The regulations formulated by the Dominion government covering the collection of a royalty on gold mined in the Yukon, are published in the Official Gazette just issued. They are as follows:

"That upon all gold mined on the claims referred to is the regulation for the government of placer mining along the Yukon river and its tributaries, a royalty of ten per cent shall be levied and collected by officers to be appointed for the purpose, provided that the amount mined and taken from a single claim does not exceed \$500 per week, and in case the amount mined and taken from any single claim exceeds \$500 per week, there shall be levied and collected a royalty of ten per cent upon the amount as taken out up to \$500, and upon the excess or amount taken from any single claim over \$500 per week there shall be levied and collected a royalty of 20 per cent, such royalty to form part of the consolidated revenue and to be accounted for by the officers who collect the same in due course.

"That the times and the manner in which royalty shall be collected and the persons who shall collect the same shall be provided for by the regulations to be made by the gold commissioner, and that the gold commissioner be and is hereby given authority to make such regulations and rules accordingly.

"That default in payment of such royalty, if continued for ten days after notice has been posted upon the claim in respect of which it is demanded, or in the vicinity of such claim by the gold commissioner or his agent, shall be followed by the cancellation of the claim. That any attempt to defraud the crown by withholding any part of the revenue thus provided for by making false statements of the amount taken out, may be punished by cancellation of the claim in respect of which fraud or false statements have been committed or made; and that in respect of facts as to such a fraud or false statement or non-payment of royalty, the decision of the gold commissioner shall be final."

## THE AUTHORITIES

At Bellefontaine Believe That Ford and Deewester Are the Murderers of the Detrick Couple.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Aug. 16.—The authorities here are working on the theory that Ford and Deewester were the murderers of the aged Detrick couple, and every effort is being made to secure a confession from one or both of the men.

Deewester is rapidly recovering from his self-inflicted wound of Friday.

The investigation of the mystery is now being conducted by Sheriff Shaw with absolute secrecy. None but the detectives are admitted to the jail. None of the newspaper men who have been besieging the sheriff ever since the arrests have been allowed to interview the prisoners.

Corporal Harry Roof was the guard over Deewester Friday night. The prisoner, in a talk with Roof, claims to have no recollection whatever of the events Thursday night. Roof says Deewester's mind seems to be wandering, or else that he is feigning.

A trail has been found leading from the scene of the murder to Brenner's lake, a half-mile distant, but no other traces have been found. Neighbors detected Friday the burning of woollen clothes at the home of Deewester's sister, but nothing further has been learned.

It is expected that a woman will be arrested for complicity in some way in the Detrick murder. She is suspected of knowing a great deal about the case, and has been mysteriously missing since the investigation began. She and Deewester have been companions. Just how she is connected with the case is not now known outside the officers.

## BOTH WOUNDED.

Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans Fight With Swords.

PARIS, Aug. 16.—The Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans fought a duel with swords at 5 o'clock Sunday morning in the Bois de Marechaux Vercresson. M. Leontieff acted as umpire. The fighting was most determined and lasted 25 minutes. There were five engagements, of which two were at close quarters. Prince Henri received two serious wounds in the right shoulder and the right side of the abdomen. The Count of Turin was wounded in the right hand. Prince Henri was taken to the residence of the Duc de Chartres and received medical attendance.

## Illicit Distillery in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—Detectives and internal revenue officers raided a little frame house in 20th place Saturday and found an illicit distillery capable of turning out 52 gallons of "moonshine" a day. Samuel Marlow, a Prussian Jew, and his son were taken in as proprietors of the place. Several illicit distilleries have been located almost in the heart of the city and other arrests will probably follow.

## DON CARLOS

Favors Unflinching Severity in Repressing the Cuban Rebellion.

Followed by Generous Concessions to Local Requirements—The Carlist Movement Increased in Strength and Discipline—Time Comes, Will Fight.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Lucerne has had a long interview with Don Carlos on the death of Canovas and Cuban affairs.

Don Carlos declared that the American remonstrances and hints of interference were mere balloons tossed seriously. He said that the United States, if these attempts had been resolutely repelled by the Spanish government, would have withdrawn its extravagant pretensions. What was wanted in Cuba, he argued, was unflinching severity in repressing rebellion, followed by generous concessions to local requirements and aspirations.

In conclusion Don Carlos declared: "The Carlist movement in Spain has greatly increased in strength and discipline during the last decade. I am in touch with every branch of it. There will be no more futile risings or useless bloodshedding, but when the time is ripe every one will be ready to fight to the death for the throne."

MADRID, Aug. 16.—The political horizon is menacing. Senor Robledo has publicly declared in favor of the retention of Capt. Gen. Weyler and against any reconciliation with the dissident conservatives.

It is expected that this will upset the plans of the conservative party and of the court, and will compel the queen regent to summon the liberals.

## A PRISONER

Slashes Five Policemen With a Razor and Escapes By Jumping From a Window—Subsequently Wounded and Captured.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 16.—James Elbert, arrested as a suspicious character and supposed to be an anarchist, created big excitement Sunday morning at the police station by slashing five policemen with a razor. One of the officers, George McIntyre, was horribly cut on the face, one wound extending from the ear to the throat, taking part of the ear. His condition is serious. Others, Geo. Edwards, McFarland, Corless, and Geo. Hennessey are badly cut on the face and hand.

Elbert's way through a guard of policemen, made his escape from the station by jumping 30 feet from a window, hotly pursued by officers, while blood streamed from their wounds. After a chase of several squares, Officer Corless finally fired his revolver, the bullet taking effect in Elbert's right arm and he was then captured. The man fought desperately and had to be clubbed into insensibility before he could be taken back to the station. Elbert now lies in the jail hospital in a precarious condition. Elbert is an Austrian, who had been working at the Armstrong cork factory until lately, when he was discharged on account of his anarchistic and troublesome ways. He has since been threatening Mr. Armstrong's life, and was arrested because he insisted on hanging around the factory after being repeatedly warned off the premises.

## PROBABLE LYNCHING.

A Mob After the Assault of Mrs. and Miss Heathcock.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 16.—Will Phillips, the man who recently criminally assaulted Miss Sallie Jones, daughter of a wealthy Georgia planter residing near this city and who was arrested in Arkansas, was taken to jail at Lafayette, Walker county, Ga., Sunday where the crime was committed. A mob had been organized to lynch Phillips as soon as Miss Jones identified him, but her father prevailed on them to let him go to trial. Posses are in pursuit of the assailant of Mrs. and Miss Heathcock, and every road and avenue to Chickamauga Park is being guarded by armed men. If caught the man will never reach the jail, as more than a hundred men have sworn he shall die at once. Miss Heathcock and her mother have both recovered consciousness and have given an ample description of their assailant. A large reward has been offered for the man. The assaults on Miss Jones and the Heathcocks occurred within a mile of each other.

## A Father's Terrible Deed.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 16.—A special to the Bee from Greeley, Neb., says: Sunday morning John D. Maw, a farmer living a few miles from here, attacked his married daughter, Mary J. Hughes, with a hammer. He crushed in her skull, inflicting fatal injuries. He drove the family from the house and set fire to it and then fired the wheat stacks and barns. Maw, who is 60 years old, has been mentally unbalanced for years, but was thought harmless. He is in jail.

## Manuel Planas Not an Anarchist.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Cubans in this city say that Manuel Planas, who, on orders issued by Commissioner of Immigration Powderly, is to be held for investigation at the port of arrival, is not an anarchist leader. He is, they say, a well-known pharmacist of Bayamo, Cuba, who was deported by the Spanish officials as an alleged political suspect.

## KENTUCKY STATE NEWS.

The First Kentucky Infantry will hold their reunion at Liberty September 10.

At Gracey R. S. Popl, who shot and killed William Raymond, was acquitted.

WHEAT is now selling at 80½¢ a bushel, but the farmers are still holding their crop.

THE populists and gold democrats of Kentucky will seek representation on the ballot by petition.

THE Greensburg academy will open August 30.

JAS. GOODWIN, colored, was drowned in Willow creek, near Wickliffe.

At Owensboro in a fire that destroyed his saloon and grocery Sam Gregson came near being cremated alive. He was rescued barely in time to save his life.

At the post office primary in West Liberty, Mrs. Nickle was indorsed for postmistress.

TOLL on the Oddville and Falmouth pike is being collected as usual. The gates are guarded at night.

GOV. BRADLEY issued a proclamation naming September 6 as Labor day and a holiday for the workmen.

ROBERT STEPHENS, a wheat thresher, on his way home near Owensboro, was held up and \$500 taken from him. There is no clew.

ALVIN BOWLING was found dead near Morehead, with 16 bullet holes in his body.

MRS. JAMES CARTER, of Pottsville, claims that she is heir to \$30,000,000 now in the Bank of England, left there by John McGowan.

MRS. AMANDA YERKES, a relative of Collector John W. Yerkes, fell on the stairs at Danville and sustained injuries which may result fatally.

A CRANE measuring six feet from tip to tip was killed on Otter creek, Madison county, by Louis Rybee.

THE Kentucky Swine Breeders' association will meet at Shelbyville August 24.

THE Louisville and Nashville Railroad Co. has filed suit at Shelbyville to foreclose the \$250,000 mortgage on the Cumberland & Ohio railroad.

At Princeton John Ansenbaugh was run over by a train the other night and killed.

At Louisville George Dupree was taken for a cow by Charles Lawton, who fired both barrels of a shot-gun at him. Dupree will die.

A HORSE named Horse Cave was invaded by a snake.

Four or five discourses on the streets during the day. They were treated with such complete contempt by the people that they "took the hint" and left town between suns.

W. S. WATSON, of Flatlick, owns a leather horse collar that has been in use 30 years.

THE trustees of the Central Christian church of Newport have issued a call for Rev. W. D. Rice, of Comersville, Ind., to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. J. M. Bailey.

AN unnamed, one-legged tramp tried to beat Geo. Childs, a colored boy, to death in the "Blind-tiger" district, Russellville. He gave Childs a quarter to get him some whisky, and Childs never came back. Next morning they met, and the tramp tried to do Childs up. Both were locked up.

EX-CONGRESSMAN JOHN A. WILSON was at Frankfort, a few days ago, conferring with Attorneys Pryor and Rodman in regard to the indictments pending against him. Dr. Hunter, Hon. E. T. Franks, Noel Gaines and Thos. Tinner, charged with alleged conspiracy to bribe legislators. Mr. Wilson announced that the defendants will be ready for trial and will insist on a hearing of the cases in September.

He said that among the witnesses for whom subpoenas will be issued will be ex-Senator Blackburn and Gov. Bradley, Adjt. Gen. Collier, Senators Goebel and Branstetter, Hon. Nerge Clark, Hon. W. G. Gosson and Commissioner of Agriculture Moore.

SUIT has been filed in the circuit court at Lexington against Frank K. Thompson, bondsman for W. M. Shipp, the defaulting Midway banker, for \$5,000, alleged to be due Geo. Hughes, an infant, for whom Shipp was administrator.

FRANK HUSTON, the three-year-old son of a farmer at Richwood, Boone county, was scalded to death while his mother was visiting the other afternoon. Mrs. Huston was preparing tomatoes in a large kettle. Before leaving she cautioned the child to keep away from the kettle, but he disregarded her warning. When she returned she found that the boy had fallen into the kettle and had been boiled to death.

THE Washington county teachers' institute was held at Springfield.

At Bowling Green while excavating for a foundation for a building, workmen found a man's skeleton.

HENRY LUSTIG, who had been missing from home in Louisville for 15 years, has returned. It was thought that he was dead.

At Nicholasville James Woodward, 18 was drowned while bathing. WM. MONTGOMERY fell overboard from the steamer Lizzie Bay, at Warsaw, and was drowned.

A COLORED fair is being held at Lancaster.

THERE have been many sales of real estate in Williamstown recently.

HENRY E. EVANS, nominee of the national democrats and republicans for commonwealth's attorney, died at Bowling Green.

## THE FARMERS' BANK and TRUST COMPANY, OF STANFORD, KY. Successors to the Lincoln National Bank.

By provision of its charter, depositors are as fully protected as are depositors in National Banks, its shareholders being held individually liable to the extent of the amount of stock therein at the par value thereof in addition to the amount invested in such shares: It may act as Executor, Administrator, Trustee or Receiver, as an individual.

Condition of the Farmers Bank and Trust Co., Stanford, Kentucky, December 31, 1896.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$277,010.93	Capital Stock.....12 0,000 00
Overdrafts.....7,576 19	Surplus Fund.....17,000 00
Other Stocks and Bonds.....1,984 97	Individual Deposits.....1 3,470 81
Due from National Banks.....41,601 22	Due from National Banks.....5,875 34
Banking House.....5,580 00	Due from State Banks.....5,302 94
Furniture and Fixtures.....800 00	
Cash.....16,707 49	
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